

Quaternion CR-Submanifolds of a Locally Conformal Quaternion Kaehler Manifold

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Abstract. *The purpose of the present paper is to study the differential geometric properties of a quaternion CR-submanifold in a locally conformal quaternion Kaehler manifold.*

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1 Introduction

The concept of the locally conformal Kaehler manifolds was introduced by I.Vaisman in [19]. Since then many papers appeared on these manifolds and their submanifolds (See: [8] and its references). However, the geometry of the locally conformal quaternion Kaehler manifolds has been studied in the last ten years, [8], [11], [12], [13], [14], [15], [16] and their QR-Submanifolds have been studied in [17]

A locally conformal quaternion Kaehler manifold (Shortly, l.c.q.K manifold) is a quaternion Hermitian manifold whose metric is conformal to a quaternion Kaehler metric in some neighborhood of each point. The main difference between locally conformal Kaehler manifold and l.c.q.K. manifold is that the Lee form of a compact l.c.q.K. manifold can be chosen as parallel form without any restrictions [8]. It is known that this property is not guaranteed in the complex case, [18].

On the other hand, A.Bejancu [2] defined and studied CR-submanifolds of a Kaehler manifold. Since then many papers appeared on this topic, [2], [4], [6], [7]. Moreover, Barros, Chen and Urbano defined quaternion CR-submanifold of a quaternion Kaehler manifold as analogy with CR-submanifold of a Kaehler manifold [1].

In this paper, we study the geometry of quaternion CR-submanifolds of a l.c.q.K. manifold. In section 2, we give some basic definitions, formulae and result

which will be used in this paper. In section 3, we study the geometry of quaternion CR-submanifolds of a l.c.q.K. manifold. In this section, we investigate the geometry of leaves. In section 4, we consider totally umbilical quaternion CR-submanifolds. Finally, section 5 is devoted to investigate the topology of a quaternion CR-submanifold.

2 Locally Conformal Quaternion Kaehler Manifolds

We denote a quaternion Hermitian manifold by (\bar{M}, g, H) , where H is a subbundle of $End(T\bar{M})$ of rank 3 which is spanned by almost complex structures J_1, J_2 , and J_3 . We recall that a quaternion Hermitian metric g is said to be a quaternion Kaehler metric if its Levi-Civita connection $\bar{\nabla}$ satisfies $\bar{\nabla}H \subset H$.

A quaternion Hermitian manifold with metric g is a l.c.q.K. manifold if over neighborhoods $\{U_i\}$ covering M , $g|_{U_i} = e^{f_i} g'_i$ with g'_i a quaternion Kaehler metric on U_i . In this case, the Lee form ω is locally defined by $\omega|_{U_i} = df_i$ and satisfies

$$d\Theta = \omega \wedge \Theta, d\omega = 0 \quad (2.1)$$

where $\Theta = \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \Omega_\alpha \wedge \Omega_\alpha$ is the Kaehler 4-form. We note that property (2.1) is also a sufficient condition for a quaternion Hermitian metric to be a l.c.q.K. metric [11].

Let $\bar{\nabla}$ be the Levi-Civita connection of g . We define a Lee vector field B by $\omega(X) = g(X, B)$ on \bar{M} . We have another torsionless linear connection \bar{D} called the Weyl connection. The Weyl connection \bar{D} related to the Levi-Civita connection $\bar{\nabla}$ of g by the formula

$$\bar{D}_X Y = \bar{\nabla}_X Y - \frac{1}{2} \{ \omega(X) Y + \omega(Y) X - g(X, Y) B \} \quad (2.2)$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(T\bar{M})$, where $B = \omega^\#$ is the Lee vector field [8].

Let \bar{M} be a l.c.q.K. manifold and $\bar{\nabla}$ be the connection of \bar{M} . Then the Weyl connection does not preserve the compatible almost complex structures individually but only their 3-dimensional bundle H , that is,

$$\bar{D}J_a = \sum Q_{ab} \otimes J_b \quad (2.3)$$

for $a, b = 1, 2, 3$, and Q_{ab} is a skew-symmetric matrix of local forms [13]. Thus, from (2.1) and (2.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\nabla}_X J_a Y &= J_a \bar{\nabla}_X Y + \frac{1}{2} \{ \theta_o(Y) X \omega(Y) J_a X - \Omega left(X, Y) B \\ &\quad + g(X, Y) J_a B \} + Q_{ab}(X) J_b Y + Q_{ac}(X) J_c Y \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(T\bar{M})$, where $\theta_o = \omega \circ J_a$.

Let $R^{\bar{D}}$ and \bar{R} be the curvature tensor fields of the connections \bar{D} and $\bar{\nabla}$, respectively. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} R^{\bar{D}}(X, Y)Z &= \bar{R}(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{2}\{[(\bar{\nabla}_X \omega)Z + \frac{1}{2}\omega(X)\omega(Z)]Y \\ &\quad [(\bar{\nabla}_Y \omega)Z + \frac{1}{2}\omega(Y)\omega(Z)]X + ((\bar{\nabla}_X \omega)Y)Z \\ &\quad - ((\bar{\nabla}_Y \omega)X)Z - g(Y, Z)(\bar{\nabla}_X B + \frac{1}{2}\omega(X)B) \\ &\quad + g(X, Z)(\bar{\nabla}_Y B + \frac{1}{2}\omega(Y)B)\} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4}\|\omega\|^2(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y) \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(T\bar{M})$

Next we give the following theorem which will be useful later.

Theorem 2.1 [12] *Let (\bar{M}, \bar{g}, H) be a compact quaternion Hermitian Weyl manifold, non-quaternion Kaehler, whose foliation F has compact leaves. Then the leaves space $P = \bar{M}/F$ is a compact quaternion Kaehler orbifold with positive scalar curvature, the projection is a Riemannian, totally geodesic submersion and a fibre bundle map with fibres as described in proposition 4.10 of [12], where F is locally generated by $B, J_1B = B_1, B_2, B_3$.*

If F is a regular foliation, then $P = \bar{M}/F$ is a compact quaternion Kaehler manifold [10].

Let \bar{M} be a l.c.q.K. manifold and M be any submanifold of \bar{M} . The formulae of Gauss and Weingarten are given by

$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y) \quad (2.6)$$

and

$$\bar{\nabla}_X V = -A_V X + \nabla_X^\perp V \quad (2.7)$$

for vector fields X, Y tangent to M and any vector field V normal to M , where ∇ is the induced Riemann connection in M , h is the second fundamental form, A_V is the fundamental tensor field of Weingarten with respect to the normal section V and ∇^\perp is the normal connection. Moreover, we have the relation

$$g(h(X, Y), V) = g(A_V X, Y). \quad (2.8)$$

The equations of Gauss and Codazzi are given respectively by [5]

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y; Z, W) &= \bar{R}(X, Y; Z, W) + g(h(X, W), h(Y, Z)) \\ &\quad - g(h(X, Z), h(Y, W)) \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

and

$$(\bar{R}(X, Y)Z)^\perp = (\bar{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) - (\bar{\nabla}_Y h)(X, Z) \quad (2.10)$$

for $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$, where $\bar{R}, \bar{\nabla}$ is the curvature tensor corresponding to the connection $\bar{\nabla}$, ∇ respectively and $^\perp$ in (2.10) denotes the normal component. The covariant derivative $(\bar{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z)$ is given by

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) = \nabla_X^\perp h(Y, Z) - h(\nabla_X Y, Z) - h(Y, \nabla_X Z).$$

3 Quaternion CR-Submanifolds of a l.c.q.K. manifold

First, we give definition of a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold as the definition of quaternion CR-submanifolds of a quaternion Kaehler manifold.

Definition 3.1 *A submanifold M of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} is called a quaternion CR-submanifold if there exists two orthogonal complementary distributions D and D^\perp such that D is invariant under J_a , i.e., $J_a D \subseteq D$, $a = 1, 2, 3$. and D^\perp is totally real, i.e. $J_a D^\perp \subseteq TM^\perp$, $a = 1, 2, 3$.*

A submanifold M of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} is called a quaternion submanifold (resp. totally real submanifold) if $\dim D^\perp = 0$ (resp. $\dim D = 0$). A quaternion CR-submanifold is called proper quaternion CR-submanifold if it is neither quaternion nor totally real.

By the definition a quaternion CR-submanifold, we have

$$TM = D \oplus D^\perp \quad (3.1)$$

and

$$TM^\perp = J_a D^\perp \oplus \mu \quad (3.2)$$

where μ is orthogonal complement of $J_a D^\perp$ in the normal bundle is invariant subbundle of $\Gamma(TM^\perp)$ under J_a .

Now, let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . For each vector field X tangent to M we put

$$J_a X = \phi_a X + \varpi_a X \quad (3.3)$$

where $\phi_a X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $\varpi_a X \in \Gamma(J_a D^\perp)$. Also, for each vector field V normal to M we put

$$J_a V = f_a V + t_a V \quad (3.4)$$

where $f_a V \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$ and $t_a V \in \Gamma(\mu)$.

Now, we will give an example for quaternion CR-submanifolds of a l.c.q.K. manifold.

Example 3.1 *Let \bar{M} be a l.c.q.K. manifold. Assume that the foliation F is regular. Then $P = \bar{M}/F$ is a compact quaternion Kaehler manifold (cf: Theorem.2.1). We denote almost complex structures of \bar{M} and P by J_a and J'_a , respectively. Now we consider the following commutative diagram:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bar{M} & \xrightarrow{\pi} & P = \bar{M}/F \\ \uparrow i & & \uparrow j \\ N & \xrightarrow{\bar{\pi}} & \bar{N} \end{array}$$

where N and \bar{N} are submanifolds of \bar{M} and P , respectively. We denote the horizontal lift by $*$. Then we have

$$(J'_a X)^* = J_a X^*. \quad (3.5)$$

We note that the projection π is a totally geodesic Riemannian submersion and a fibre bundle map. Hence $\bar{\pi}$ is also a Riemannian submersion. We denote the vertical distribution of the Riemannian submersion π by v , i.e. $\ker \pi_* = v$. Let \bar{H} be the horizontal distribution of π . Then we have $T\bar{M} = \bar{H} \oplus v$. We denote the horizontal distribution of $\bar{\pi}$ by H_0 . We will investigate the relation between normal spaces of N and \bar{N} . We denote the Riemannian metrics of \bar{M} and P by g and g' , respectively. Let V^* be the horizontal lift of $V \in \Gamma(T\bar{N}^\perp)$. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} g(V^*, X) &= g((\pi_*)^* V, X) \\ &= g'(\pi_* X, V) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

for any $X \in H_0$. Thus, $(T\bar{N}^\perp)^*$ is orthogonal to H_0 . Note that the normal space is always horizontal. Hence $(T\bar{N}^\perp)^*$ is orthogonal to v . Consequently, we have $(T\bar{N}^\perp)^* \subseteq TN^\perp$. Since π is a Riemannian submersion we get

$$(T\bar{N}^\perp)^* = TN^\perp. \quad (3.6)$$

Now, let ϕ_a and ϖ_a be the operators on \bar{N} appearing in (3.3). We denote the operators in N corresponding to ϕ_a and ϖ_a by ϕ'_a and ϖ'_a , respectively. From (3.5) and (3.6) we obtain

$$(\phi_a X)^* = \phi'_a X^* \quad (3.7)$$

and

$$(\varpi_a X)^* = \varpi'_a X^*. \quad (3.8)$$

So, from (3.7) and (3.8) we see that N is a quaternion CR-submanifold of \bar{M} if and only if \bar{N} is a quaternion CR-submanifold of P .

In the rest of this section, we will investigate the geometry of leaves on quaternion CR-submanifolds.

In [1], Barros, Chen and Urbano showed that the anti-invariant distribution D^\perp of a quaternion Kaehler manifold is integrable. In the next theorem, we will see that is still true for a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold.

Theorem 3.1 *Let M be a proper quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold. Then the anti-invariant distribution D^\perp of M is integrable.*

Proof. From (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7) we obtain

$$-g(A_{J_a W} T, X) = g(\nabla_T W, X) + g(T, W)g(J_a B, X) \quad (3.9)$$

for any $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $T, W \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$. Interchanging T and W in (3.9) and subtracting we get

$$g(A_{J_a T} W - A_{J_a W} T, X) = g(J_a [T, W], X). \quad (3.10)$$

On the other hand, since $\bar{\nabla}$ is a metric connection and A is self-adjoint we obtain

$$g(A_{J_a T} W, X) = -g(W, \bar{\nabla}_X J_a T). \quad (3.11)$$

In this equation, using (2.4) and (2.6) we have

$$g(A_{J_a T} W, X) = g(A_{J_a W} T, X). \quad (3.12)$$

Thus, from (3.10) and (3.12), we obtain

$$g([T, W], J_a X) = 0,$$

which proves our assertion.

Lemma 3.1 *Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold. Then quaternion distribution D is minimal if and only if the Lee vector field is orthogonal to the anti-invariant distribution D^\perp .*

Proof. Since $\bar{\nabla}$ is a metric connection, from (2.4) and (2.7) we obtain

$$g(\nabla_X X, Z) = g(A_{J_a Z} X, J_a X) - \frac{1}{2} \|X\|^2 \omega(Z) \quad (3.13)$$

for any $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $Z \in \Gamma(D)$. In a similar way we have

$$g(\nabla_{J_a X} J_a X, Z) = -g(A_{J_a Z} X, J_a X) - \frac{1}{2} \|X\|^2 \omega(Z) \quad (3.14)$$

Thus from (3.13) and (3.14) we have

$$g(\nabla_X X, Z) + g(\nabla_{J_a X} J_a X, Z) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \omega(Z) = 0$$

Now, we will discuss the integrability of the quaternion distribution. First we give a lemma.

Lemma 3.2 *Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . Then we have*

$$h(X, J_a Y) = \varpi_a \nabla_X Y + t_a h(X, Y) + \frac{1}{2} \{g(X, Y)(J_a B)^\perp - \Omega(X, Y)B^\perp\} \quad (3.15)$$

and

$$h(X, J_a Y) - h(Y, J_a X) = \varpi([X, Y]) + \Omega(X, Y)B^\perp \quad (3.16)$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$, where $B^\perp = \text{nor} B$.

Proof. Using (2.4), (2.6), (2.7) and a comparison between normal components we derive the (3.15). Then (3.16) is direct consequence of (3.15).

Definition 3.2 *Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . Then M is called D -geodesic if $h(X, Y) = 0$ for $X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$.*

From Lemma 3.2 and Definition.3.2 we have:

Theorem 3.2 *Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . Assume that the Lee vector field is tangent to M . Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

1. *for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$*

$$h(X, J_a Y) = h(Y, J_a X).$$

2. *M is D -geodesic.*

3. *D is integrable.*

The proof is similar to that of Theorem 2.1 in [3] (Also, Theorem 3.2 in [17]). So we omit it here.

From Lemma 3.2 we have the following corollary.

Corollary 3.1 *Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . If M is D -geodesic and the Lee vector field orthogonal to D^\perp , then each leaf of D is totally geodesic.*

Corollary 3.2 *Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . If $h(X, Z) \subset \mu$ for $X \in \Gamma(D)$, $Z \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$ and the Lee vector field is orthogonal to D , then each leaf of D^\perp is totally geodesic in M .*

Proof. From (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7) we obtain

$$-g(A_{J_a W} Z, X) = -g(\nabla_Z W, J_a X) + \frac{1}{2}g(Z, W)g(J_a B, X)$$

for any $Z, W \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$ and $X \in \Gamma(D)$. Using (2.8) we arrive at

$$g(h(Z, X), J_a W) = g(\nabla_Z W, J_a X) + \frac{1}{2}g(Z, W)g(B, J_a X)$$

which proves our assertion.

4 Umbilical Quaternion CR-Submanifolds of l.c.q.K. Manifolds

Let \bar{M} be a compact l.c.q.K. manifold. Then we can choose the fixed metric g such that

i) The fixed metric g makes ω parallel, i.e.

$$\bar{\nabla}\omega = 0 \quad (4.1)$$

ii)

$$\|\omega\|^2 = 1 \quad (4.2)$$

(See:[11]). From now on we will denote a compact l.c.q.K. manifold by \bar{M} in this section.

Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . Then M is called totally umbilical if we have

$$h(X, Y) = g(X, Y)H \quad (4.3)$$

for any X, Y tangent to M , where H is the mean curvature vector field defined by $H = \frac{1}{m} \text{Trace}(h)$. We say that M is totally geodesic if $h = 0$ identically on M .

Theorem 4.1 *Let M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . If the Lee vector field B is tangent to M , then we have*

$$K_{\bar{M}}(X, Y) \leq \frac{1}{4} \quad (4.4)$$

for any orthonormal vector fields $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $Y \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$. The equality (4.4) holds if and only if \bar{M} is a quaternion Kaehler manifold

Proof. Let $R^{\bar{D}}$ be the curvature tensor field of the Weyl connection \bar{D} . Then we have

$$R^{\bar{D}}(X, Y)J_a Z - J_a R^{\bar{D}}(X, Y)Z = \alpha(X, Y)J_b Z - \beta(X, Y)J_c Z \quad (4.5)$$

where

$$\alpha = dQ_{ab} + Q_{cb} \wedge Q_{ac}$$

and

$$\beta = dQ_{ac} + Q_{bc} \wedge Q_{ab}.$$

Taking account (2.5), (4.1), (4.2) and (4.5) we obtain

$$0 = -\bar{R}(X, Y, X, Y) + \bar{R}(X, Y, J_a X, J_a Y) + \frac{1}{4}\omega(X)\omega(X) + \frac{1}{4}\omega(Y)\omega(Y) - \frac{1}{4} \quad (4.6)$$

for any orthonormal vector fields $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $Y \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$. On the other hand, from (4.3) and Codazzi equation we have

$$\bar{R}(X, Y, Z, V) = g(Y, Z)g(\nabla_X^\perp H, V) - g(X, Z)g(\nabla_Y^\perp H, V) \quad (4.7)$$

for any vector fields X, Y, Z tangent to M and V normal to M . Thus using (4.7) we get

$$\bar{R}(X, Y, J_a X, J_a Y) = 0 \quad (4.8)$$

for any $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $Y \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$. Using (4.6) and (4.8) we arrive at

$$\bar{R}(X, Y, Y, X) = -\frac{1}{4}\omega(X)^2 - \frac{1}{4}\omega(Y)^2 + \frac{1}{4}. \quad (4.9)$$

If the Lee vector field is tangent to M from (4.9) we have (4.4). In view of (4.9) the equality case of (4.4) is valid if and only if

$$\omega(X)^2 + \omega(Y)^2 = 0$$

for any orthonormal vector fields $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $Y \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$. Thus we obtain

$$\omega(X) = 0 \quad (4.10)$$

and

$$\omega(Y) = 0. \quad (4.11)$$

From (4.10) and (4.11) we obtain $B \in \Gamma(D)$ and $B \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$, respectively. Since $D \cap D^\perp = \{0\}$ we have $B = 0$.

Now we give another theorem for totally umbilical proper quaternion CR-submanifolds of a l.c.q.K. manifold. We start with the following preparatory result.

Lemma 4.1 *Let M be a totally umbilical quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold. Assume that the Lee vector field is tangent to M . Then we have*

$$H \in \Gamma(J_a D^\perp) \quad (4.12)$$

Proof. Since B is tangent to M , from Lemma 3.2 we obtain

$$g(h(X, J_a Y), N) = -g(h(X, Y), J_a N)$$

for any $N \in \Gamma(\mu)$ and $X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$. Since M is totally umbilical we get

$$g(X, J_a Y)g(H, N) = -g(X, Y)g(H, J_a N).$$

Thus for $X = J_a Y$ we have $g(H, N) = 0$, hence we obtain $H \in \Gamma(J_a D^\perp)$

Theorem 4.2 *Let M be a totally umbilical proper quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold. Assume that the Lee vector field is tangent to M . Then*

1. M is totally geodesic or
2. the totally real distribution is one dimensional.

Proof. We take $Z, W \in \Gamma(D)$ and using totally umbilicalness of M together (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7) we have

$$-A_{J_a W} Z = \phi_a \nabla_Z W + g(Z, W) J_a H + \frac{1}{2} \theta(W) Z + \frac{1}{2} g(Z, W) (J_a B)^T.$$

Taking inner product with Z in D^\perp it follows that

$$-g(A_{J_a W} Z, Z) = -g(Z, W) g(H, J_a Z) + \frac{1}{2} \theta(W) g(Z, Z) - \frac{1}{2} g(Z, W) g(B, J_a Z)$$

Since B is tangent to M , from (2.8) and (4.3) we have

$$g(Z, Z) g(H, J_a W) = \frac{1}{2} g(Z, W) g(H, J_a Z). \quad (4.13)$$

Interchanging Z and W in (4.13) we obtain

$$g(W, W) g(H, J_a Z) = \frac{1}{2} g(Z, W) g(H, J_a W). \quad (4.14)$$

From (4.13) and (4.14), one can immediately get

$$g(H, J_a W) = \frac{g(Z, W)^2}{\|Z\|^2 \|W\|^2} g(H, J_a W). \quad (4.15)$$

From Lemma 4.1., the possible solutions of (4.15) are

a) $H = 0$ b) $Z // W$

Suppose condition a) holds, i.e., $H = 0$ which implies that M is totally geodesic. If b) is satisfies in (4.15) then $\dim D^\perp = 1$ which implies that the totally real distribution is one dimensional.

5 Cohomology of Quaternion CR-Submanifolds

Assume that M be a quaternion CR-submanifold of $4n$ dimensional l.c.q.K. manifold \bar{M} . Let $p = \dim_Q D, q = \dim D^\perp$. Then we choose an orthonormal frame $\{e_1, \dots, e_p, e_{p+1} = J_1 e_1, \dots, e_{4p}, E_1, \dots, E_q, J_1 E_1, \dots, J_1 E_q, J_2 E_1, \dots, J_2 E_q, J_3 E_1, \dots, J_3 E_q, V_1, \dots, V_r, V_{r+1} = J_1 V_1, \dots, V_{4r}\}$ in \bar{M} such that restricted to M , $\{e_1, \dots, e_p, e_{p+1} = J_1 e_1, \dots, e_{4p}\}$ are in D and $\{E_1, \dots, E_q\}$ are in D^\perp . We denote by $\{w^1, \dots, w^{4p}\}$ the 1-forms on M satisfying

$$w^i(Z) = 0 \quad w^i(e_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad i, j = 1, \dots, 4p \quad (5.1)$$

for any $Z \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$, where $e_{p+j} = J_1 e_j, e_{2p+j} = J_2 e_j, e_{3p+j} = J_3 e_j$. Then

$$w = w^1 \wedge \dots \wedge w^{4p} \quad (5.2)$$

defines a $4p$ -form on M . From (5.2) we obtain

$$dw = \sum_{i=1}^{4p} (-1)^i w^1 \wedge \dots \wedge w^i \wedge \dots \wedge w^{4p} \quad (5.3)$$

Thus from (5.1) and (5.3) we obtain that $dw = 0$ if and only if

$$dw(Z_1, Z_2, X_1, \dots, X_{4p-1}) = 0 \quad (5.4)$$

and

$$dw(Z_1, X_1, \dots, X_{4p}) = 0 \quad (5.5)$$

for any $Z_1, Z_2 \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$ and $X_1, \dots, X_{4p} \in \Gamma(D)$. We see that (5.4) holds if and only if D^\perp is integrable and (5.5) holds if and only if D is minimal. Thus from Theorem.3.1 and Lemma.3.1, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 5.1 *Let M be a closed quaternion CR-submanifold of a l.c.q.K. manifold. If the Lee vector field is orthogonal to the anti-invariant distribution D^\perp then the $4p$ -form w defines a canonical de Rham cohomology class $[w]$ in $H^{4p}(M, R)$*

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